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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Toshiyuki KUDO

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EXAMINER:

FOR: ELECTRONIC CONTRACT SAFEKEEPING METHOD, ELECTRONIC CONTRACT VERIFYING METHOD, CONTRACTOR SERVER, CONTRACT SAFEKEEPING SERVER, ELECTRONIC CONTRACT SAFEKEEPING SYSTEM, AND MEMORY MEDIUM

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

**REFERENCES**

- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached International Search Report listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references were provided in the International application.
- ☐ A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**RELATED CASES**

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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- ☒ Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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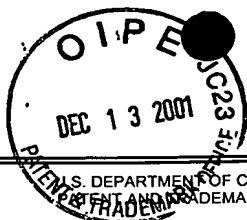
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